

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: n4so@juno.com (CHARLES K BROWN)
Subject: [5874] "38 Special"
Message-ID: <19961208.101401.4415.16.n4so@juno.com>

The Jerry Parker WWW html/text file on the "38 Special" has been edited to a 14,000 byte ASCII/E-mail file called:
38spec.txt.

If you want the background, design details, and explanation of the circuit and where and how to order ask
for 38spec.txt-- it will be sent directly.

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From: n4so@juno.com (CHARLES K BROWN)
Subject: [5865] "S" and "F" Beacons
Message-ID: <19961208.065551.4415.11.n4so@juno.com>

Heard the "S" Beacon and in the background the "F"
from Alabama. Signals S-0 with the "S" Beacon over the
"F".

1143- 1215Z. 7.0385mhz 12/8/1996 Sunday

The "S" Beacon sends at approx. 22 wpm, and the "F"
is much slower at approx 12 wpm.

The time is pre-dawn so if you listen right before the sun comes up, this
may be a good time for your own area, or
possibly any nighttime path.

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From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: "Paul R. Valko" <prvalko@oakland.edu>
Subject: [5896] *** KC Humor *** WAS: Contest idea
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.3.95.961208141149.19255A-100000@vela.acs.oakland.edu>

> Gentleman's band or no, 160 meter contestors don't slow down for code duffers
> any more than 20 meter contestors. These folks obviously want to work as
> many stations as possible and have decided that working a slow guy, giving
> him fills and a repeat of the ARRL section just isn't efficient if he misses
> 3 contacts while logging me. Happens every contest I get into.

Me Too!!! May I wax lyrically for a moment? Sure...

Appologies to the beautiful Linda Rondstat
Poor Poor Pitiful ME!

Well I climbed the tree and threw out a line
some bandwidth I had to gain.
The next contest is about to start
Geez, this "Top Band" is a pain.

I checked the 'swer it was nice and flat
Just like I knew it'd be.
In fact it's be-low a 2 to 1
For almost 2 Kc!

Poor Poor Pitiful ME!
Poor Poor Pitiful ME!
A contesteer, I so long to be!
Lord have mercy on me!
Woe - Oh woe is me!

Now that buzz, is ringin' in my ear
Man these guys send fast!
How can I even get a QSO,
Without looking like an ass?

I'll sit and listen for a minute first,
an' copy every other letter.
I fancy me, to be quite the "op"
But I guess these guys are better!

Poor Poor Pitiful ME!
Poor Poor Pitiful ME!
A contesteer, I do long to be!
Lord have mercy on me!

Woe - Oh woe is me!

Well I've heard him make several contacts now
He really keeps them short!
"5NN" what the heck is that?
I wanted my report!

Well at least I know that his section's next,
On that, I'm good to go!
So I wrote one down but I guess it's new!
'cause I copied, South Ohio.

Poor Poor Pitiful ME!
Poor Poor Pitiful ME!
A contester, I do long to be!
Lord have mercy on me!
Woe - Oh woe is me!

I got my call several months ago,
A seasoned op, that's me!
I even went to the Field Day,
Though I only served coffee.

So here's what I've learned over quite a while
And it cuts me to the bone.
Until I copy over 40 per...
I think I'll stick to Phone!

Poor Poor Pitiful ME!
Poor Poor Pitiful ME!
A contester, I do long to be!
Lord have mercy on me!
Woe - Oh woe is me!

73! =paul= W8KC

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Jim and Nancy <LAGESON@worldnet.att.net>
Subject: [5904] 10 mtr test
Message-ID: <19961208213710.AAA9631@LOCALNAME>

You said there is no qrp catagory in the 10 mtr contest next weekend, there is a qrp catagory, I enter it every year.

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Ron Giuntini <rong@slip.net>
Subject: [5856] 16 Dollar Antennas
Message-ID: <E0vWx9-000147-00@ferret.slip.net>

Is anyone using the antennas advertised in the Dec QST? The \$16 loaded whips that look like the Hamsticks? Price sounds good. From the picture they look well made...I could see picking up a couple for mobile use. Any comments on them? They are on page 154, MCM Electronics sells them.
Ron

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Jim/N0UR <LAGESON@worldnet.att.net>
Subject: [5905] 160 Contest
Message-ID: <19961208213710.AAB9631@LOCALNAME>

Well I shorted the coax to my 80 mtr inverted L and tuned it up on 160 for my first top band test ever. I'm sure by other standards not a good score by I was pleased. My highlight was a 2Xqrp with N4ROA in VA, not bad from cold, flat MN.

My total was 78 Q's with 32 sections for a score of 4,992

Is there a 160 qrp net????

73/72's Jim, N0UR

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: wb2vuo@juno.com (William K Hibbert)
Subject: [5870] 160 Meter Test: Final results
Message-ID: <19961208.101719.4535.0.wb2vuo@juno.com>

It's in the can, and sent to the ARRL.

My final count is:

73 QSO's / 27 Sections

My only sections west of the Mississippi were Iowa, Missouri and South Dakota (My hat is off to W0SD, GREAT EARS, and perseverance!!!). Ontario was my only contact out of the USA, but it's almost close enough to see from here (not really, but close). I can see it from the shop out on Grand Island, south of Niagara Falls, NY.

If I have the math right, my score is 3942 points, and improvement from last year.

Remember the 10 Meter contest next weekend. There's no QRP category, but it is a fun contest. The contest announcement is in the November "QST", and rules are available on the ARRL homepage, or from their information Email server.

72/73, Keith, WB2VUO, QRP-L #582, scQRP 40, ARRL LM, TS (WNY Section), VP/BARK,
Trustee, KB2YTW/B 10 Mtr Milliwatting Beacon (250 mW @ 28.2870 MHz)
"In the Depths of the Great Bergen Swamp...FN13ac"

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Richard Wilkerson <richqrp@pacbell.net>
Subject: [5902] 38 special
Message-ID: <32AB2F01.6788@pacbell.net>

Just wondering..which part of the band will most people put their 38's on? The 20 kc swing? Or do we have a choice ?

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Rich Wilkerson WD6FDD, Santee, Ca.
NorCal, ARCI, Qrp-L, E.C.R.A.

scQRPions

*****Happy Holidays*****

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Jim Hydzik <congress@magpage.com>
Subject: [5853] 50 States..FSFD Tidbits/Update+HI/AK
Message-ID: <199612080248.VAA16668@alaska.magpage.com>

Hello Gang,

The 50 States in 50 Days (FSFD) responses have been absolutely fabulous. Many thanks to those who have signed up for their state early and your

comments. If the announcement was a little long, let me provide a synopsis:

- 1) The goal is to get every states' volunteer to operate as much of their local 24 hour day on any band of their choice and for as long as they want. There will be someone who will guarantee to be on that 40M evening time slot, but there might be someone on from the state for most of the day. Each volunteer (could be many from each state) will post their operating times and bands/frequencies to the net about 2 days ahead of the states scheduled day. The state will run QRP levels.
- 2) We start on Jan 1 (New Years Day) with the first state, Alabama, and continue on, one state per day, ending 50 days later with Wyoming on Feb. 19.
- 3) The challenge. Some will use this as an opportunity to pick up a few needed states and others, who go for WAS every year, will passionately grab every state they can. Since the order is in near alphabetical order, it will be easy to find the date that matches your needed state, but there will be postings each week of which states are scheduled for the week. With multiple bands activated beyond 40M, special opportunities will be there for those seekeing some serious fill-ins. It's all a matter of the number of volunteers from each state and propagation.

HAWAII and ALASKA!!!!!! The possibility of both states activity are for real. Jim/AC7FS is going to be in Hawaii through the 4th of January and we'll give him any band and time slot he wants and he is coordinating with Dan/KL7Y for Alaska activation on SATURDAY, Jan 4. Flexability of time and band/freq will rule where necessary.

Please Join In. This is going to be a fun event and Everyone in every state can sign up for their state.....just e-mail me at congress@magpage.com and let me know what and when you'd like to do. I'll email back the tentative date for your state for posting on your new Xmas present calander :)

72 Jim K3QIO Delaware

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Paul Stroud <aa4xx@amsat.org>
Subject: [5890] 80M Knightlites Net
Message-ID: <32AB1061.727E@amsat.org>

Hi Gang,

Conditions were pretty rough during last Sunday's 80M Roundtable. Very few stations made it in, although a number tried.

Welcome to newcomer KB2TRF - Fr. Bruce from LaGrangeville, NY.

Fr. Bruce was running a DX-70T at 10W with an 80M extended double zepp. Welcome also to newcomer Larry - K8EJU from Maumee, OH. We hope you'll check in often. Also, congratulations to Roy KC40 - ex. KD4KDT on that FB new call!

The Knightlites Roundtable meets each Sunday night on 3710 KHz, beginning at 9:30PM EST (0230Z). If there is QRM on the net frequency prior to net time, the Net Control station will QSY UP 1 or 2 KHz to the first clear frequency in order to establish a quiet zone.

Thanks to all who tried checking into the Roundtable last Sunday. We hope you'll give it another try this week, as conditions were about the worst they've ever been last go round. The following stations made it in last Sunday, Dec. 1st:

N1QQV	Ken	Madison,	CT	329	5W	
WB0CLD	Bill	St. Charles,	MO	559	5W	
N1RXT	Chuck	Chelmsford,	MA	329	2W?	
KB2TRF	Fr. Bruce	LaGrangeville,	NY	569	10W	80M X-Zepp
KA3IVB	Chuck	Oakdale,	PA	449	5W	Dipole
WB4LZQ	Kim	Piedmont,	SC	229	5W	Dipole
K8EJU	Larry	Maumee,	OH	579		
N2TNN	Dean	Somerset,	NJ	569	5W	Argo 509
W8KC	Paul	Oakland Townshp,	MI	559	2W	Argo 515
KC40	Roy	Prestonsburg,	KY	119	?	

(KC40 may have been an ESP contact--not RF--as there was just a hint of Roy's presence. :-). Was I in the Twilight Zone, Roy?)
AA4XX Paul Raleigh, NC (NCS) 5W OCF 80M Dipole

72 till next Roundtable Sunday, Dec 8th de AA4XX/QRP

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Roger Hightower <rhight@primenet.com>
Subject: [5858] A simple request
Message-ID: <32AA55D4.1D53@primenet.com>

Hi all. I have a simple request. Please put your callsign in your e-mail signature line. When I make contacts, I sort of like to put a person and callsign together, even if I've only known that person through the list. If I know the callsign, the name usually comes to mind right away, and I can use it during the contact.

Thanks.

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72/73 de Roger N7KT

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From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: SYDV00A@prodigy.com (MR FLOYD E SMITHBERG)
Subject: [5860] a simple request
Message-ID: <199612080628.BAB21842@mime4.prodigy.com>

I'd like to second Bob Hightowers request to include your call in your e-mail signature.....and in addition, since call signs are no longer any clue as to your location, it would help to also include your state, town or nearest large city. See below....

73

Floyd NQ7X Phoenix ScQRPion

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: wb2vuo@juno.com (William K Hibbert)
Subject: [5910] An Appology, and QRP on the 10 Meter Contest
Message-ID: <19961208.175525.4679.0.wb2vuo@juno.com>

Appologies to all. Thanks to Jim, N0UR's reply, I looked at the new summary sheet for the 10 M Contest. My sheets I have been using date from the early 80's, and don't have a QRP catagory listed.

YES, THERE IS A QRP CATAGORY. YES, THERE IS A QRP CATAGORY.
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And, while I won't forget it, I won't be in the QRP catagory this time as I am running some random Meteor Scatter during the 'Test, and 5 watts just isn't enough for the no-path, weak signal work like that...

I will be on with 50 watts for the skeds, so I can't claim QRP status for the whole 'Test. It falls under the "Use the minimum power necessary for the contact..." rule

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From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: KR4GL@aol.com
Subject: [5862] Contest idea

Message-ID: <961208025350_974026079@emout01.mail.aol.com>

It's 2:30 AM eastern and I just finished putting additional loading on my Butternut vertical to jump into the 160 meter contest. For the first time some of them can hear me, instead of my just hearing some of them.

Gentleman's band or no, 160 meter contestors don't slow down for code duffers any more than 20 meter contestors. These folks obviously want to work as many stations as possible and have decided that working a slow guy, giving him fills and a repeat of the ARRL section just isn't efficient if he misses 3 contacts while logging me. Happens every contest I get into. Even field day, where the idea is to get marginally interested hams more involved, nobody slows down. It makes me angry, because I'm a busy with a family including 2 boys and a demanding boss and I literally don't get on the air often enough to ever get good with the code. Although it's my favorite mode and I have an Advanced license, I am lousy when it comes to copying over 13 to 15 wpm.

But I don't blame these guys. The contest rules make it so the winner is the one with the auto repeat keyer that spits out his call at 35 wpm so he can get as many QSO's in the log as possible; his score is based on tonage, more speed, more points.

So the only way for me to have any luck in a contest is to have the rules add one more challenge, beyond working QRP, or on batteries, homebrew gear, etc., and that's to work 'em slow. Since no contest exists that rewards slow coding I'm obviously going to have to set up my own contest, publish the rules, and see if I can get it to catch on and become an annual event. 1 point for each cw QSO over 13 wpm and 10 points for every QSO done at less than 13 wpm. An incentive to avoid those guys running a freq at 35 wpm.

Now, can anyone give me advice on a time of the year when such a contest would not get lost in the rush of the other, established contests? Any suggestions for band(s)? Perhaps even 6 meters, or 10 meters (as the sunspots start to increase) would give the Techs and Tech Plus folks something to do.

Any input from the group would be most appreciated.

KR4GL

John Foote, Dulles Int. Airport area of Virginia

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996

From: Jerry Parker <jparker@fix.net>

Subject: [5893] Copyrights

Message-ID: <2.2.32.19961208193140.007286dc@fix.net>

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Thanks,

72,

Jerry...WA6OWR...K

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Kevin Anderson <anderson@ncrsun1.ncr.usace.army.mil>
Subject: [5873] DSP/Audio Filters with DC rigs ??
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.961208101015.211A-100000@ncrsun1>

Hi, Gang,

My main rig is a Ten Tec Century 22, Direct Conversion, with a built in audio filter that can narrow quite tight. Been wondering what, if any, good a bare minimum DSP would do to help, and/or a second outboard audio filter that would give me a notching capabilities. The DC rig is practically useless on 40m Novice, where the het. kills me, and otherwise there is only so much you can do shifting offsets, etc. I've been following the discussion so far regarding 500khz IF filter v. DSP, and can certainly agree with IF filtering, as my previous rig, a Heathkit HW-16 had no problem in the novice 40m band (but then again the HW-16 was not a QRP rig :-). BTW, low-cost (i.e., cheap, very limited dollars available) is the managing adjective on all my shopping thoughts. Your assessment welcome and thanked for.

Cheers/73. Kevin, KB9IUA

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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers or the Federal Government.

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: rhight@primenet.com (Roger Hightower)
Subject: [5869] FS: HW-9 and accessories
Message-ID: <199612081516.IAA26693@primenet.com>

For Sale:

Heathkit HW-9, excellent condition, WARC bands installed.

Heath HM-9 wattmeter/swr meter, mint condition

Heath HFT-9 tuner, works perfectly, some scratches on case.

Will only sell as a unit, \$400.00 includes shipping.

Please reply direct. Interested responses will be "placed in the hat" and one will be selected on Wednesday (to give time to those who get digests or only get e-mail at work).

Thanks,

72/73 de Roger N7KT Mesa, AZ Grid DM43cj

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From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Ka3ivb@aol.com
Subject: [5887] FS:HW9 Stn
Message-ID: <961208133711_906960634@emout17.mail.aol.com>

Hello

Have a HW9 with the Warc pack and matching power supply in very good

condition__\$300 shipped lower 48

Also have the matching Tuner and Wattmeter/Swr meter__ \$120 shipped 48.

As a package I will take \$385 shipped 48.

Thanks_____Curt/Ka3ivb QRP-L #433

Comment: I don't care what anyone writes about, if it doesn't interest me__

OH well, I won't read it-:)

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996

From: "Laura" <sputnik@imt.net>

Subject: [5881] Fw: What we can talk about

Message-ID: <199612081651.JAA03127@cu.comp-unltd.com>

Scott's letter (below copied) makes me unsure of what I can and cannot post to this list. Letters like this one make me shy away from posting anything at all! I thought that if a particular thread didn't interest you, you could just delete it. What is the protocol? I relate most of the letters I read to QRP in one way or another and enjoy all the posts...but maybe I have been wrong all this time. What list is it that I am supposed to subscribe to? I work QRP. I enjoy fox hunting. I thought this was the place to be. I would really miss it!!

Laura Marino Lubner

KJ7UN

QRP-L#790

> From: Scott Bauer <ke3nv@erols.com>

> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

> Subject:

> Date: Saturday, December 07, 1996 23:42 PM

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> Im not trying to flame anyone, but Im starting to notice that many of the

> postings here lately have nothing to do with QRP at all. It nice that you
> can play the guitar, so can I. Now I know why most of you became a ham,
but

> I would rather read about your QRP adventures.

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> No hard feelings intended. Merry Christmas to all!

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> 72 Scott
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> Fists 1502, ARCI 8804, G-QRP 8773, Nor-Cal 1094, NE 348, AR-QRP 27
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> CW Operators QRP Club # 484 (Australia) Grid FM-19, Odenton, MD
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From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: "William R. Colbert" <v31xe@dzn.com>
Subject: [5907] fw: what we can talk about
Message-ID: <32AB54BB.634E@dzn.com>

Laura, in response to your posting and query:
My first words would be "Not to worry". The world of QRP is very large and varied. The subject matter concerning QRP can go from the background threads of last week (all very interesting), to receivers (yesterday and today) to automotive computers (how much power does it tolerate?) to ? All can have a good, solid tie to the interest of this list and therefore, is subject to posting without complaint. Even how ones knitting or stamp collecting could be included as a relaxing moment away from the qrn/qxm of the fox hunt or new dx country. I say keep posting (I enjoy reading your posts anyway) and if it is something I am not interested in, I will delete it. 73 and have a nice weekend. Ray

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72/73, Ray Colbert, W5XE, SOWP 1064M
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From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Dale LeDoux <dledoux@laci.net>
Subject: [5894] How I got started in ham radio
Message-ID: <1.5.4.16.19961208135529.27279ec0@laci.net>

I read some of the previous commentary, and I cannot find any grand epiphany to hark back to. Can't remember when I was first interested, but when I was twelve, our next-door neighbor was moving. He was a TV technician and when he cleaned out his shop, he deposited wondrous treasures on the curb. I gathered up switches, lamps, resistors and assorted junk and spent days assembling marvelous lamp-switching networks using my little brother's woodburning pencil as a soldering iron. A year later I built a crystal radio. It worked better than I ever imagined it would. Every now and then I'd check out an ARRL Handbook from the library and browse through it, but I didn't know anybody who could help me along.

Years passed. In 1974 I found myself in Germany. My housing area was home to an Army MARS station. I volunteered as an assistant operator. I and the chief op began taking classes at the home of Gerald "Jerry" Schader DA2BA once a week. It was an hour drive. I loved seeing Jerry's shack. He was active on HF in SSB, CW and slow-scan and also on VHF FM and SSB. I remember sitting in Jerry's kitchen taking the mail-in test for technician and then waiting anxiously for weeks for the license. Got WB5UKJ and then a few deutschmarks and another form and I was DA4BT. First rig on the air was a Heathkit HW-202, simplex.

Back in the states, I was dormant again for a while, then a friend got me a deal on a Yaesu FT-7 and I was back on, this time on HF novice bands. Studied, and then went to Houston (two hour drive) for the test. That's where I came out advanced class with the present call.

Looking at my own experiences, I find that although I had a big curiosity about the hobby, in every case where I made an advance, there was another person who shared time and knowledge to help me along. I guess there's a lesson there somewhere.

72-

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From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Bill Myers <bmyers@destin.nfds.net>
Subject: [5913] HW-7/8/9 Mod Info
Message-ID: <1.5.4.16.19961208175437.0a079316@destin.nfds.net>

Hi All,

I currently own a HW-7 and a HW-8. The HW-8 is straight stock except for a SO-239. The HW-7 was heavily (and sloppily) modified prior to my getting it. A new receiver board (designed by Randy, WJ4P) helped the reception a lot, but I think I'll have to strip it back to bare board and rebuild it to solve all the problems, then add his receiver mod.

Anyway, I am looking for any and all mods available for these two rigs. I already have the ones off G3YCC's and WJ4P's pages. I also have "The HW-8 Handbook" by WB8VGE.

I am especially looking for any of the Adrian Weiss, W0RSP, mods for the HW-8. I understand he wrote a series of articles on how to make the HW-8 a super contest machine. While I am not a contester, those mods would make it a SUPER CW QRP rig, my ultimate intention.

Over the years I have enjoyed Heathkit's and plan to continue to use them for many years to come. By making the improvement mods, they can still compete with the newer rigs on the market.

I will continue to buy and build the newer rigs, but I'll always love my HW-QRP rigs...

72 to All

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From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996

From: Dale LeDoux <dledoux@laci.net>
Subject: [5895] It's alive!
Message-ID: <1.5.4.16.19961208135526.27279f74@laci.net>

After much time, the little Sierra is finally on the air! First QSO was on 40 meters at 1710UTC with KB5RCF, Dave in Dallas. No, it won't make the miles/milliwatt category, but considering it's my first QSO on my own radio since 1988, I'm tickled.

Here's the history: Ordered and received the Sierra last part of October. Not having the luxury of a hobby room, construction took place on the kitchen table in evenings after supper, often with two "helpers", 3 and 6 years old. Got to the smoke test part -- no smoke, no anything else. Troubleshooting didn't turn anything up as far as I could see, so off it went to Wilderness Radio for expert eyes. Apparently my troubleshooting skills diminish after 11PM because they found an IC backwards (like nobody ever did that one before). The radio came back the day after Thanksgiving. I really WANTED to get an antenna up, but work schedules and weather did not allow until today.

Armed with a wrist rocket slingshot and a spool of nylon string, I managed to get a drooping dipole up to 25' and then fired up the little rig on the patio on a beautiful fall day. Now, the first contact is history.

Kudoes to Norcal and Wilderness Radio for a really pleasant little radio. The kit was well-documented and all the parts were in there the first time. A bit of more attention and I probably would have not reversed that darned IC. There WAS a fine parts layout picture that I looked at trying to figure out what was wrong, but I shouldn't have trusted myself at 11PM doing such a thing. I did use a magnifier lamp. I had to. My eyes are past the point where PC work is possible without the magnification.

All in all, a positive experience. Now I hope to see some of you on the air. All I have to do is get my code proficiency back. It's amazing how rusty one can get. I will probably be floating around the novice bands for a bit...

72-

Dale LeDoux
Bath Electrical Systems
Power Specialists -- 480 V to 230 KV
KD5QI -- QRP-L #602

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996

From: dwink@juno.com (Daniel C Winkler)
Subject: [5912] KR4GL@aol.com: Contest idea
Message-ID: <19961209.154705.4927.8.DWink@juno.com>

On Dec 8 KR4GL@aol.com wrote:

. . .nobody slows down. It makes me angry, because I'm . . . busy . . .
and I literally don't get on the air often enough to ever get good with
the code. Although it's my favorite mode and I have an Advanced
license, I am lousy when it comes to copying over 13 to 15 wpm.

. . . the winner is. . . based on tonage, more speed, more points.

. . .one more challenge. . . to work 'em slow.
. . . set up my own contest, . . . 1point for each cw QSO over 13 wpm
and 10 points for every QSO done at less than 13 wpm.

Ditto.

Bravo, John. Excellent idea!

It's a vicious circle: Slow guy ---> disgusted OT ---> loss of contact
---> embarassed slow guy ---> operates less ---> doesn't improve. It is
the origin of my own continued key and mike fright. I'm an Extra who
reads everything, designs and builds stuff, but I never get on the air,
although I would like to. I can still pass a 20 wpm test, but my
effective copy speed on the air is more like 15, falling to 8 when
someone actually tries to contact ME.

This sounds like a GREAT contest!

Good Luck!!!

73 ; D DWink@Juno.com
Dan Winkler N7IVR (Intra Venous Radio) Seattle, WA

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: km1h@juno.com
Subject: [5898] Lost Mail
Message-ID: <19961208.155124.7311.0.km1h@juno.com>

Major snow storm damage in Southern NH. Utility Co says maybe up to 4
days to fix it all.

Meanwhile Im on a generator but lost over 120 msgs when it ran out of gas. If anyone sent me a question or a reply please resend. I know enough now to save and exit before replying!

Tnx.....Carl

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: "Dan Reynolds" <bcdlr@midwest.net>
Subject: [5909] N/T Foxhunt 12/10 Tues. (Local Time)
Message-ID: <199612082253.QAA16413@cdale3.midwest.net>

N/T Foxhunt Tuesday, 12/10/96 7:00-9:00 PM CST or
12/11/96 Wed. 01:00-03:00 UTC

I will start working at 7108 again and move up to 7112 or thereabouts if necessary. Come one, come all. I had a really good time my last outing, would love a repeat! :-). Rig is Kenwood TS-830S turned down to 5, antenna is a 100' Vee up 65', fed with cheap TV twinlead and a balanced tuner, (hey it works).

KB9JLO QRP-L #293 7108 or so,
Tuesday, 12/10/96 7:00-9:00 PM CST or
12/11/96 Wed. 01:00-03:00 UTC

Dan Reynolds - Technology Coordinator
Lutheran School Association of Decatur, IL
ham radio: KB9JLO QRP-L #293 MI-QRP #M-1439 G-QRP #8766
web: <http://www.midwest.net/orgs/lsa/>
email: bcdlr@midwest.net or lsa@midwest.net

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: "Michael Connor" <mikec@primenet.com>
Subject: [5857] Need HW-7 Manual
Message-ID: <199612080515.WAA04735@primenet.com>

Greetings,

I picked up an HW-7 at the swap meet today, and upon getting it home discovered no transmit or receive (the 2 final transistors in a bag taped to the lid should have been my first clue that something was not right.):-) Put the new finals in, but no change.

It came with a manual, but it is
Heathkit's "condensed" manual which does not
have board-related part numbers.
Anyone have the original manual that they might
be willing to copy, or know where I could find
one? Any info appreciated.

Thanks,
Mike
N07K

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Art Searle <w2nra@netusa.net>
Subject: [5891] New Kenwood TS-570D
Message-ID: <32AB135D.4C1F@netusa.net>

Hi All,

Well, I was going to post an informal report on the new Kenwood
TS-570D Transceiver that goes down to 5 watts, read 4.5 on
watt meter, but it's box up and ready to go back for repair.

I've had it a little over a month and it worked great except for
the occasional problem in using it with computer control. I
used both logging program (DXBase 4.6) and the new Kenwood
total control program RCP2. Using computer control caused strange
problems. The radio would loose it's frequency memories, Keyer
memories and menu settings. While I was trying to figure out
what was going on it finally went dead. Every feature on the
radio still works, you can set and adujust everything but
their is not receive and no transmit. I know some lids that really
need a radio like this.

I wonder how long Kenwood will take to repair this.

72, de Art

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Art Searle, W2NRA [ex WU2K], ARRL Life Member, QRP-L #524
QRP ARCI #9123, DXCC MX & CW HR, NRA Benefactor Life Member
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From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Joel Malman <malman@BBN.COM>
Subject: [5871] New Use for MFJ Tuner
Message-ID: <199612081533.KAA186025@nss2.CC.Lehigh.EDU>

Group,

I discovered a new use for MFJ antenna tuners ...

We've been having a heavy wet snow for the last few days, and last night a tree broke and took down my ladder line (to the big dipole I have "hidden" in the trees behind the condo). I know the Condo Association does not like my antenna, and now I know Mother Nature does not either...

Anyway, when the tree came down, the tuner, with ladder line connected, went crashing into the wall. Left a big hole in the wall (and only a tiny scratch in the side of the MFJ). Since the tuner would not go through the wall, the ladder line got ripped from the back of the tuner.

New use for MFJ tuners: protects rest of QRP station from being pulled out into the backyard in snow storms. Hi Hi.

OB-QRP: The 50 states in 50 days (FSFD) sounds like a blast. I'll be representing Ma on Jan 21 if Mother Nature will leave my antennas alone ...

72,3

/joel wa1qvm (concord, ma) [OK, I'll put the state in the .sig]

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: "Timothy R. Gordish" <105020.2634@compuserve.com>
Subject: [5852] Novice/General Fox :^)
Message-ID: <199612072134_MC1-CBC-889@compuserve.com>

Gang,

Went to the Hamfest in Mesa this week end and met a bunch of my fellow ScQRPions, had a good time. Also was able to pass the General tests. I am no longer a Novice/Tech+! But I am scheduled to be the Novice/Tech+ fox this Monday from 0:30 to 1:30 UTC Dec 10. What a delemma! I guess that I'm out of the running for Novice fox. I will however still be running as scheduled Monday. I will let the powers that be decide whether to give you 1 pt for a regular fox, or 5 pts for Novice/Tech. I will be on 7110 +/- since I haven't forgotten where I came from yet, and I will need to retune

my Hamstick Dipole for the lower 7040 freq. (lazy)

72 de Tim
KB9LGJ
Yuma, AZ

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Ron Giuntini <rong@slip.net>
Subject: [5867] Other Lists
Message-ID: <E0vWkm5-00005v-00@ferret.slip.net>

Does anyone have information on other lists similar to this one? Packet Radio, Kit building (not QRP) or other Ham radio topics. I wonder what else is going on. Is there a place where lists are "listed"?

Ron

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Jim and Nancy Larsen <larsennnc@alaska.net>
Subject: [5855] Propagation Request for Info
Message-ID: <32AA3BD0.30D1@alaska.net>

Greetings from Alaska,

I need help to pick the best weekend in January to run KL7Ys 3 element beam at about 130'. Dan is a contester and has agreed to let me borrow his station on a non critical contest weekend. HOWEVER, for example, 73 magazine says propagation on weekend of Dec 7 is Poor. And it is. What weekend in the first 50 days of 1997 will have at least fair to good propagation.

Anyone in a position to loan me a SLV for Hawaii? I will not have time to go with other than a longwire or dipole otherwise...assuming where I am staying will let me put up dipoles, etc. Or even has a place to hang them. I will probably take the QRP+ with the MJF Battery/charger/PS and tuner so if I have to I can operate on a beach.

Hmmm..guess that is all for now.

73,

Jim
AL7FS

Anchorage, Alaska

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Rick Zabrodski <zabrodsk@med.ucalgary.ca>
Subject: [5878] QRP plus for sale
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.961207145846.22172D-1000000@ume>

I was asked to pass this on to the internet for VE6CKG.
Malcolm, who does play and build Qrp rigs, has apparently "gone to the dark side of the force" and wants to sell his brand new, never used QRP Plus to help finance a purchase of a QRO rig (the fancy Yaseau dual receiver one I think).
Asking \$650.00 US
I have not seen the rig myself but can vouch that this an honest ham.

VE6CKG
Malcolm McLeod
(403) 288-2046

Please do not email me if interested!

Dr. Rick Zabrodski BSc, MD, CCFP(E) MRO *	VE6GK
Clinical Assistant Professor	* NorCal 519 ARCI 7650 GQRP 8329
Faculty of Medicine, Univ. of Calgary	* "Power is no substitute for skill"

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: earlve3ab@host.igs.net
Subject: [5868] QRP SCRAPBOOK
Message-ID: <199612081506.KAA24514@host.ott.igs.net>

I have been keeping my qrp 1 articles on my hard drive but i would like to start a SCRAPBOOK. That is, id like to snip bits and pieces and put them into a scrapbook. I think i could do it now using Quick View Plus " a viewer I have" but it seems to be way too slow. What I'd like to do is highlight text and cut it to say a notepad then I could take all this clippings and "append them to the end of a file automatically" or semi automatically or whatever. As it stands now, i would have to specify drive and filename and i would have to do this for each time i snipped something. Maybe some one has a good solution they are already using. tnx in advance 72 earl

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Scott Bauer <ke3nv@erols.com>
Subject: [5892] subscribe
Message-ID: <199612081917.0AA21446@smtp1.erols.com>

I cant leave, I like you guys too much. Sorry for the bandwidth
:~::~
Fists 1502, ARCI 8804, G-QRP 8773, Nor-Cal 1094, NE 348, AR-QRP 27

Scott Bauer W3CV (formerly KE3NV, N3RQU) QRP nut SWL
CW Operators QRP Club # 484 (Australia) Grid FM-19, Odenton, MD

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From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: "William R. Colbert" <v31xe@dzn.com>
Subject: [5849] swl receivers
Message-ID: <32AA2FA7.413@dzn.com>

I have been reading some recent threads about the SWL receiver market. Some of the information has been good, some has been downright erroneous and misleading. As one that has been in the SWL(sort of) for profit business for the past 37+ years(signals intercept and operations) there are a lot of GOOD receivers on the market that one can find for less than the \$1000 ticket. One was just FS on this list, the Kenwood R-2000 is a very good receiver that can be later used as a separate receiver with transmitters for various bands, and with better sensitivity than a lot of the "Ham Radio" units that are on the market. If one would check the new/used lists at Electronic Equipment Bank, Universal Radio, Gilfer Shortwave, the odds of finding a reasonably priced receiver that is good for both SWL and later amateur operations. Also, don't forget to check at hamfests, swapmeets, both local and on the air types, for receiver listings as a lot do show up there at good prices. There are a lot of SWL and utility information web pages with information on receivers, and how to best look for one for the right situation. These receivers do not have to be

the R-9000(Icom), Watkins-Johnson or Racal, or even in that price class. The Icom R-70 or even better R-71 series receivers are commercial quality and do very well, and are available on the used market at markedly reduced prices from new. The filtering is as in the amateur transceivers, using identical filters and providing the utmost in quality listening. The reputation of the Drake SW-8/R-8 series receivers is excellent. The older R-7 is a good receiver and also available on the used market. Another good receiver that uses the same microprocessor as the TS-440, etc., is the R-5000 receiver. At the location where I just retired from, We had in excess of 50 in operation and in the past ten years, only had electrical failure with 4 or 5, and that was mostly with a drift PLL crystal. Except for the frequency range, the R-5000 worked as well as the Icom R-9000. The point I am trying to make is that there are a lot of good solid state SWL receivers out there that will do a good/excellent job as an amateur receiver. Not only that, they also offer an excellent platform for vhf/uhf experimentation as well as LF/VLF capabilities, to further explore 1750 meters and below. I apologize to the list for being so verbose, but I felt that the receiver issue was not being portrayed as it should.

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72/73, Ray Colbert, W5XE, SOWP 1064M
(also af852@rgfn.epcc.edu)
El Paso, Texas

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Jerry Parker <jparker@fix.net>
Subject: [5848] The NorCal Page and the "38 Special"
Message-ID: <2.2.32.19961208003552.00720da0@fix.net>

The complete article, schematic, parts list and order form for the "38 Special" are now off

the NorCal Page.

Enjoy,,,72,,,Jerry...WA6OWR...K

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Stanley Wilson <microres@crl.com>
Subject: [5876] vintage solid state list ?
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.91.961208081205.23636A@crl2.crl.com>

Does anyone know how to subscribe or un-subscribe to this list (VSS) ?
thanks de stan ak0b

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: "William R. Colbert" <v31xe@dzn.com>
Subject: [5900] vintage ss list
Message-ID: <32AB4AD8.20E1@dzn.com>

This is a multi-part message in MIME format.

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Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Stan, and others that may be interested, the attached posting
contains the necessary info to subscribe to the Vintage Solid State
list.

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72/73, Ray Colbert, W5XE, SOWP 1064M
(also af852@rgfn.epcc.edu)
El Paso, Texas

-----64D733254BC2
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
Content-Disposition: inline; filename="SUB_VSS.TXT"

From: gc@fox.cen.com (Gary Chatters)
Subject: [VSS:984] Administrivia: Getting on or off the list.

There have been some messages concerning difficulties subscribing
or unsubscribing from the VSS list. I decided to test out the process.
The process has not changed in some time and continues to work as
described in the welcome message. I successfully subscribed and
unsubscribed from an account that is not on the list.

The address to use is vss-request@acm.org.

Requests to the list processor are entered one per line in
the body of the message (not the subject line, leave that blank).
The requests of most interest are:

subscribe vss _your_name_

unsubscribe vss

help

The first two should be enough, but if you want to know more about the list processor the 'help' command will tell you everything it can do. I do appreciate it when a list member unsubscribes before an account is terminated. Otherwise I start getting bounce messages. Even a list this small will generate half a dozen messages in a day.

If you have a problem send e-mail to chatters@acm.org. Mail to la@access may not get read for a day or so.

I am concerned that some people have had difficulty unsubscribing. Since the basic process works I'll have to look at the individual's problem in detail.

Gary

-----64D733254BC2--

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Ken Lopez <kjllopez@earthlink.net>
Subject: [5888] Re: -> FSFD S/P/C
Message-ID: <32AA6794.5035@earthlink.net>

Thanks to Jim and all the others who responded with the answers to my question. This is a great group.

73, Ken, N6TZV

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: wb2vuo@juno.com (William K Hibbert)
Subject: [5880] RE: 10 Meter Contest Rules (Long)
Message-ID: <19961208.120634.9759.2.wb2vuo@juno.com>

I had a couple of requests as to how to get the rules. I downloaded them, and here they are... Keith, WB2VUO

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From: <info-serv@arrl.org> (HQ Automated INFO Server)
Return-path: info-serv@arrl.org

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Bob Edwards <rbe@atlanta.com>
Subject: [5906] Re: 38 special
Message-ID: <32AB6F8E.30DE@atlanta.com>

Richard Wilkerson wrote:

>
> Just wondering..which part of the band will most people put their
> 38's on? The 20 kc swing?

Richard, just got off the air with WA8LCZ at 10.113 mhz. CW ops
cruise from 10.100 up to 10.120. DX is usually at 10.110 or below
10.105. Most CONUS contacts I have had were from 10.106 to 10.118.
Hope this helps.

72/73 Bob

W4ED x_AE4CA nr Atlanta @EM73wt
...."QRP", more from less....
:EMPS QS0s=44 STATES=23/4 DX=??

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From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Cecil A Moore <Cecil_A_Moore@ccm.ch.intel.com>
Subject: [5901] Re: 40m loop

>From: "Bob Tellefsen-CNSE97" <Bob_Tellefsen-CNSE97@email.mot.com>
>I have a 40m horizontal loop up on my roof... My main antennas are a
>pair of 40m full wave diamond loops in phase, vertically polarized.

Hi Bob, you correctly implied that the low horizontal loop has
a high take-off-angle and the vertical loops have a low take-off-angle.
That's why one works better during the daytime for short hops and the
other works better at night for DX. Here's one loop that will do both:

It's a vertical rectangle 20ft on the vertical sides and 51ft on the
horizontal runs. If one feeds it halfway up one side, the take-off-
angle is low. If one feeds it at a lower corner, the take-off-angle
is relatively high. If one feeds it between those two points, one
gets a nice combination of low/medium/high take-off-angles, a
compromise all-purpose antenna. It could even be suspended on
pulleys so the feedpoint and TOA could be changed like pulling on
a clothes line.

The reasons for making it a rectangle instead of a square are:

Close to 50+j0 ohms feedpoint impedance (no matching required).
Height of poles required is minimized (30-40 ft).

73, Cecil, W6RCA, OOTC

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: earlve3ab@host.igs.net
Subject: [5866] Re: 50.000 Mhz XTAL OSC
Message-ID: <199612081457.JAA24075@host.ott.igs.net>

ok carl i will. actually thanks for the info. im going to print it
and keep it as a guide. i have an old lafayette 50 mhz transciever
that i bought at a flea market for \$5 this fall. I haven't tried it
out or powered it up yet but since there still is older gear on six
maybe ill make a priority of getting it hooked up to an ant. 72 es
tnx earl

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Roy Boggs <rboggs@pcc-uky.campus.mci.net>
Subject: [5908] Re: 80M Knightlites Net; weak sig copy
Message-ID: <2.2.32.19961208215835.0068848c@pcc-uky.campus.mci.net>

At 02:01 PM 12/8/96 -0500, Paul Stroud AA4XX wrote:

> (KC40 may have been an ESP contact--not RF--as there was just a
> hint of Roy's presence. :-) Was I in the Twilight Zone, Roy?)

Paul, you know you're good at CW when you can copy a sig that is....not
219...not 119...but when it is so weak that it is THERE, but not much more
than... a 'thought'!!! Only good QRP op's can do this.

You're good. Not many can do this. You have my admiration.

de KC40 Roy Boggs
Prestonsburg, KY *Your KY connection in the FSFD event*

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Monte Stark <ku7y@sage.dri.edu>
Subject: [5861] Re: A simple request
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.90.961207231605.18223E-1000000@vortex.sage.dri.edu>

On Sat, 7 Dec 1996, Roger Hightower wrote:

> Hi all. I have a simple request. Please put your callsign in your
> e-mail signature line.

I would also like to ad that it sure is nice to know where you
are from! The numbers in the calls don't mean anything any longer.

73, Ron,

.....KU7Y.....ARCI #8829.....Monte "Ron" Stark.....
....ku7y@sage.dri.edu.....Washoe Lake, Nevada....
....QRP-L #17...ARS #49...NorCal #330.....NRA LIFE.....

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Bill N9HH <billnihh@apci.net>
Subject: [5864] Re: ARRL 160 Contest
Message-ID: <199612081255.GAA24662@hilly.apci.net>

Final tally from here: 125 QSOs, 47 sections and Mexico (48 multipliers) in
about 5-1/2 hours of operating.

At first, I tried to work only the strong signals, but worked some amazingly
weak ones, too. They may have been weak because of my antenna: I was stuck
with the downspout/raingutter 'cuz the Butternut doesn't work at all on 160.

Had fun. Gotta get my "night person" credentials back, though, if this
contesting is gonna keep up. I just can't seem to stay up for 48 hours
straight and go back to work like I used to.

72/73,
Bill N9HH Troy, IL QRP-L 824 ARCI 1977

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Jim and Nancy <LAGESON@worldnet.att.net>
Subject: [5903] Re: ARRL SS Station Setups
Message-ID: <19961208213542.AAA9027@LOCALNAME>

At 04:06 AM 12/7/96 +0000, you wrote:

>Hi guys!

>

>Good QRP scores on CW and SSB in ARRL SS. You all did nearly as
>well, as well, or better (most of you) than me in both modes. Way to go.

>
>I am curious as to what I was up against, besides good ops
>
>I am running two radios (still learning how, though): Omni VI and TS-130S.
>
>The antennas include:
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>A3S at 70 ft - rotatable
>A3 at 40 ft - hardmounted on side of tower, pointing NW
>
>40m Inverted Vee
>
>80m half-sloper
>
>What are each of you using?
>
>Reply to me direct and I will summarize and I will either send it to
>you all or put it on the Contest Reflector.
>
>See you in NAQP and (maybe) Internet Sprint.
>
>73,
>
>Dale Martin, KG5U
>kg5u@hal-pc.org
><http://www.hal-pc.org/~kg5u>
>
Dale, nice station. Thats what I like about SS, a guy with a simple station
can make a go of it. My simple station consists of a Icom IC-735,
antennas-80 mtr inverted L with elevated radials, 40 mtr dipole, 20 mtr
delta loop-apex 40 feet fed with open feeder, 15 mtrs I loaded my 30 mtr
loop feed with the same feedline as the 20 mtr loop. Logging by NA ver
10.06. I don't know if I could handle two radios, but I only own one so not
planning on trying it soon. I wish I could keep a count of the stations I
called and how many came back to my cq's. I'm guessing I s/p 75% of my
total qso's.

Dale let me see what you get back from the other stations, I don't check any
reflectors so please send direct. Look for me next year as N0UR, WA0RPI was
just too long. GL and happy contesting

73's Jim, N0UR (ex WA0RPI)

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Sjolin@aol.com

Subject: [5863] Re: Contest idea

Message-ID: <961208042941_1455008324@emout19.mail.aol.com>

In a message dated 96-12-08 02:56:45 EST, KR4GL@aol.com writes:

<< These folks obviously want to work as many stations as possible and have decided that working a slow guy, giving him fills and a repeat of the ARRL section just isn't efficient if he misses 3 contacts while logging me.

Happens every contest I get into. Even field day, where the idea is to get marginally interested hams more involved, nobody slows down. It makes me angry, because I'm a busy with a family including 2 boys and a demanding boss and I literally don't get on the air often enough to ever get good with the code. Although it's my favorite mode and I have an Advanced license, I am lousy when it comes to copying over 13 to 15 wpm. >>

John, I have a couple of suggestions that will make your contesting less stressful and more satisfying.

1. Since with qrp, you are not likely to be the first station to break the pileup, listen to a couple of exchanges before you call. Listen for the section/zone/serial number several times and write it down. Then when its your turn you already have the info.
2. Focus on the section / serial number, etc. No matter what your real signal strength everyone is going to send 5NN (unless you are in qrp contest). You already know the call, you know the report, all you need to do is pick out the section/zone/serial number, etc.
3. If you don't get the exchange, dont ask for a fill. Just hang around and listen to the station complete a few more contacts and then record the info. If you still can't pick it up after ten exchanges at 45 wpm, use a multimode controller and copy the morse on screen or do suggestion 4.
4. If you are not going to submit the score, why even bother to record the section/zone, etc. Give the big time tester his score and then get out of the way.
5. Purchase and use a memory keyer or use a computer program called CT to key your rig. With either option, all you have to do is push the right button or computer key and your call or your exchange is sent automatically at whatever speed you want. Give the tester what he wants. If he is going 45 wpm, give it to him at that speed. If he gets it at 10 wpm he will likely lose his concentration and have to ask you for a fill. Since he is likely to ask you for it at a speed faster than you can copy, then you are forced to ask him what he wants... not a fun situation.

I can copy 30 wpm most of the time. When I encounter some one going faster, I follow the suggestions above. It has made cw contesting a lot less stressfull

for me.

73 and have fun! de Dave, N0IT

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Joe Gervais <vole@primenet.com>
Subject: [5886] Re: Contest idea
Message-ID: <199612081811.LAA11683@primenet.com>

[WARNING - SHAMELESS FYBO PLUG]

John (KR4GL) wrote:

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> So the only way for me to have any luck in a contest is to have the rules add
> one more challenge, beyond working QRP, or on batteries, homebrew gear, etc.,
> and that's to work 'em slow. Since no contest exists that rewards slow
> coding I'm obviously going to have to set up my own contest,

Please bear in mind that during FYBO, frozen fists = slower code. :-) And while slower code may not help you win the top score prize, there's an award where going slow is a must - Worked Most Novice/Tech+ Stations. And actually, since each Novice/Tech+ station is worth 5 points, you *may* come out ahead in the top score category as well. Question is: How many Novice/Tech+s can we get on the air for FYBO?!? Start applying peer pressure now. :-)

So get your winter jacket and thermos ready!

Not to discourage you from starting your own contest, of course. Just thought you might want to know that you *can* go slow *and* win in the FYBO. Really.

Happy Holidays de KC7NEV,

-Joe, vole@primenet.com, AZ ScQRPions

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Monte Stark <ku7y@sage.dri.edu>
Subject: [5899] Re: Contest idea
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.90.961208123140.19012C-100000@vortex.sage.dri.edu>

On Sun, 8 Dec 1996 KR4GL@aol.com wrote:

****snip****

> But I don't blame these guys. The contest rules make it so the winner is the
> one with the auto repeat keyer that spits out his call at 35 wpm so he can
> get as many QSO's in the log as possible; his score is based on tonage, more
> speed, more points.

****snip****

> Since no contest exists that rewards slow
> coding I'm obviously going to have to set up my own contest, publish the
> rules, and see if I can get it to catch on and become an annual event. 1
> point for each cw QSO over 13 wpm and 10 points for every QSO done at less
> than 13 wpm. An incentive to avoid those guys running a freq at 35 wpm.

****snip****

That sounds to me like trying to have a NASCAR race where the cars can
only go 50mph!

The Novice Roundup is a slow speed cw contest. It's been around for many
years and never has been very popular.

One of the major skills a good contest operator brings to his station
is his ability to copy cw. Both fast and accurate! If all the areas
for competition are either watered down or even removed, why have
a contest at all?

What happens if you decide to compete in the Olympics in the 100m dash?
But you don't have time to build up your speed. Should the others have
to wait for you? Or maybe give you a head start?

I see nothing wrong with trying to come up with a contest for slow
speeds, but I doubt that it would ever really work. The first big
problem is who is going to be the speed cop? How do you keep some
one from going too fast? If more points are given for going slower,
then going zero wpm would get the largest score, right? What about
the station that runs along at 40wpm and turns in the sheet saying
he was only going 13wpm?

Your idea seems to be a contest where you reward mediocrity more
than excellence. If you can make that work, more power to you!
Even the US Government can't make that work yet! :-)

cul,

73, Ron,

.....KU7Y.....ARCI #8829.....Monte "Ron" Stark.....
....ku7y@sage.dri.edu.....Washoe Lake, Nevada....
....QRP-L #17...ARS #49...NorCal #330.....NRA LIFE.....

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Steve Miller <kg7pv@teleport.com>
Subject: [5851] Re: DSP Filtering es audio filter
Message-ID: <1.5.4.32.19961208020051.00686bd4@mail.teleport.com>

>Date: Sat, 7 Dec 1996 12:48:00 -0600

>My only complaint about all the DSP units I've worked with so far, is they seem
>to create a white noise background as a result of the digitization going on.
>I'm looking into an active lowpass filter inside the DSP to knock down this
>background noise. Don't know if it is possible, but don't see why not.

>72, Bob N6WG

I run a 4 pole op amp filter (from W1FB QRP book series) followed by a big LM380 audio amp (not the same as was used in the 49er) after my W9GR DSP. Works well to take out a lot of the noise. You could do it with a 2 pole filter if you want since I almost never use more than one or two after the dsp. This set up has plenty of audio to run a speaker also. 73 all.

Steve Miller KG7PV
(CN-85) Norcal #308 QRP-L #109 ARCI # 9230

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: rright@primenet.com (Roger Hightower)
Subject: [5875] Re: FS: HW-9 and accessories
Message-ID: <199612081629.JAA09023@primenet.com>

At 10:51 AM 12/8/96 EST, CHARLES K BROWN wrote:

>Manuals and schematics/documentation???

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Sri. Forgot that.

Manuals and schematics for HW-9 and HM-9. No docs for the tuner.

72/73 de Roger N7KT Mesa, AZ Grid DM43cj

NorCal 1099 CoQRP 176 QRP-L 62 G-QRP 9081 ARCI 8946 NE-QRP 383

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: rhight@primenet.com (Roger Hightower)
Subject: [5884] Re: Fw: What we can talk about
Message-ID: <199612081754.KAA27421@primenet.com>

At 05:12 PM 12/8/96 -0700, Laura wrote:

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>to this list. Letters like this one make me shy away from posting anything
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>have been wrong all this time. What list is it that I am supposed to
>subscribe to? I work QRP. I enjoy fox hunting. I thought this was the
>place to be. I would really miss it!!

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>Laura Marino Lubner

>KJ7UN

>QRP-L#790

Laura,

Lot's of things appear on this list that folk might consider off-topic,
including last year's infamous Dayton WX reports.

This isn't a moderated list, so unless something comes out that's offensive,
I don't worry about it. Even enjoy reading about how people became hams,
poems, stories, things that don't directly relate to soldering parts or
designing circuits.

Once there was a subscriber who took very vocal offense to some comments; he
is no longer with us since Chuck took care of the problem. Enjoy the
postings and don't worry. Any negative comments should be ignored. This
list is for QRP fun stuff....if I'm wrong, I'm gone.

72/73 de Roger N7KT Mesa, AZ Grid DM43cj

NorCal 1099 CoQRP 176 QRP-L 62 G-QRP 9081 ARCI 8946 NE-QRP 383

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Bob Hightower <ki7mn@dancris.com>
Subject: [5889] Re: Fw: What we can talk about
Message-ID: <199612081842.LAA16404@dancris.com>

At 05:12 PM 12/8/96 -0700, you wrote:

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>subscribe to? I work QRP. I enjoy fox hunting. I thought this was the
>place to be. I would really miss it!!
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Don't worry about it. That's what the delete key is for. There is more wheat
than chaff, and the vast majority of the messages are worth reading.

73,

Bob, KI7MN Chandler, AZ ScQRPion QRP-L #271, NorCal #1228, CQC #274, QRP
ARCI #8918, AK QRP #30, not in any order of importance.

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: "Paul R. Valko" <prvalko@Oakland.edu>
Subject: [5897] Re: Fw: What we can talk about
Message-ID: <Pine.OSF.3.95.961208150148.19255C-100000@vela.acs.oakland.edu>

On Sun, 8 Dec 1996, Laura wrote:

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> to this list. Letters like this one make me shy away from posting anything
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> could just delete it. What is the protocol?

Well, for all the newbies and my fans, I present by popular demand:

ZjL's To Post or Not to Post

[AN IDEA!]

|
 <Is it QRP related?> -> (POST IT!)
 N
 <Are you K5F0?> -> (You are God, POST IT!)
 N
 <Are you a member of the R0o2SC799?> -> (Post, God has smiled on you)
 N
 <Have you posted GOOD STUFF before, and this is a once-in-a-while,
 "Aw what the heck, they'll get over it?"> -> (Post, humbly)
 N
 <Can the post be saved by tacking on an ObQRP?> -> (Go post, and sin no more)
 N
 Ok, this post is sooooo lame, not even an ObQRP can save you from
 becoming net-cop, flame-bait, it must have SOMETHING to do with:
 Limericks
 Switching Power Supplies
 Q-Dope
 Dayton WX
 Mail Order Brides
 Your new Website
 Pro-Code
 No-Code
 Your (qrp newsletter) has not arrived
 A new PC virus
 An Urban Legend
 MAKE MONEY FAST!!!
 How do I unsubscribe
 etc. etc. etc.

Aw, what the hell, post it. We love you man. And you better be ready
 to buy us all a Bud Light at FDiM.

73! =paul= W8KC

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
 From: Bob Edwards <rbe@atlanta.com>
 Subject: [5872] Re: Great Material From the Trail Friendly Radio Challenge
 Message-ID: <32AB1E10.64E@atlanta.com>

> Russ1031@aol.com wrote:
 >
 > Adventure Radio Society is very pleased to announce that the entries in
 > the Trail Friendly Radio challange have been posted on our web site.

>

TO : Russ Carpenter, AA7QU
Richard Fisher, KI6SN,
Wayne Burdick, N6KR and the other designers & ARS members.

Thanks again for adding to my fun & anticipation within this great hobby. I want you to know your time & efforts are appreciated and you are helping to keep the Amateur Radio Lamp burning bright.

Alot of effort went into this ARS event & you are very much appreciated. Rcvd the KC1, OK, and will put it to work in my ARS/PQ rig, Thanks.

Sorry I missed the Dec Spartin Sprint, it couldn't be helped, but won't miss the next on.

Bob 72/73

W4ED x_AE4CA nr Atlanta @EM73wt
...."QRP", more from less....
:EMPS QS0s=44 STATES=23/4 DX=??

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From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Tim Goodwin <tjgoodwin@MSUVX1.MEMPHIS.EDU>
Subject: [5850] Re: Ham Musicians
Message-ID: <01ICQNS2IBFMA1ZIS3@MSUVX1.MEMPHIS.EDU>

I sent this reply to Jim and forgot to send it to the list. Thought that some of you might like to read it, then again maybe not :)
73

>Date: Fri, 06 Dec 1996 17:00:06
>To: "J. Skalski" <jskalski@acsu.buffalo.edu>
>From: Tim Goodwin <tjgoodwin@msuvx1.memphis.edu>
>Subject: Re: Ham Musicians

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>At 05:23 PM 12/6/96 -0500, you wrote:
>>Has anyone noticed a correlation between
>>Mathematics, Music and code proficiency?

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73,

Jim N2GO

The Buffalo QRP CONNECTION

>> ARCI #9013 QRP-L #381
>> jskalski@acsu.Buffalo.EDU
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>Jim, My neighbor who is a ham, commented on the "musician's ear" when I passed my 20 WPM code test when I went to test for General. I do believe that since musicians rely on their ears a little more than average folks, code seems to come fairly easily, In fact most of the Ham musicians I know tend to lean towards CW. As far as math is concerned, it varies from person to person. I have students that are very mathematically inclined but lack somewhat in the creative realm, the reverse is also true. Math and music theory (Chords, Scales etc.) are very closely related, but the dependence on the ear, and creativity are not necesarrily connected. Its hard to describe these concepts but I can usually tell by listening to a musician what kind of orientation they are operating from, but not always.
>
>There hasn't been a work done about the Math/music correlation. but it would be a good dissertation subject for somebody.
>
>thanks for the reply
>73
>Tim Goodwin
>AD4JM
>

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
Subject: INFO response: 10M.RLS

ARRL 10-Meter Contest Rules

- 1) Object: For amateurs worldwide to exchange QSO information with as many stations as possible on 28 MHz.
- 2) Contest Period: Second full weekend of December (December 14-15, 1996). Starts 0000 UTC Saturday; ends 2400 UTC Sunday. All stations operate no more than 36 hours out of the 48-hour period. Listening time counts as operating time.
- 3) Categories:
 - (A) Single operator: One person performs all operating and logging functions. Use of spotting nets (operator arrangements involving assistance though DX-alerting nets, PacketClusters, etc) is not permitted. Three power-output categories: QRP_5-W output or less; low

power_150-W output or less; high power_more than 150-W output.

- (1) Mixed mode (phone and CW)
- (2) Phone only
- (3) CW only

(B) Multioperator: Single transmitter, mixed mode only. Those obtaining any form of assistance, such as relief operators, loggers or use of spotting nets.

4) Contest Exchange:

(A) W/VE stations (including KH6/KL7) send signal report and state or province (District of Columbia stations send signal report and DC). Novice and Technician stations sign /N or /T.

(B) DX stations (including KH2/KP4, etc) transmit signal report and serial number starting with 001.

(C) Maritime or aeronautical mobile stations send signal report and ITU Region (1, 2 or 3).

5) Scoring:

(A) QSO points: Count two points for each complete two-way phone QSO. Count four points for each two-way CW QSO. Count eight points for CW QSOs with US Novice or Technician stations signing /N or /T (28.1 to 28.3 MHz only).

(B) Multipliers: Fifty US states (plus District of Columbia), Canada [NB (VE1), NS (VE1), PEI (VE1 or VY2), PQ (VE2), ON (VE3), MB (VE4), SK (VE5), AB (VE6), BC (VE7), NWT (VE8), YUK (VY1), NF (V01), LAB (V02)], DXCC countries (except the US and Canada), ITU regions (maritime and aeronautical mobiles only) per mode (phone and CW).

(C) Final Score: Multiply QSO points by total multipliers (the sum of states/VE provinces/DXCC countries/ITU regions per mode). Example: KR1R works 2245 stations including 1305 phone QSOs, 930 non-Novice CW QSOs, 10 Novices CW QSOs, for a total of 6410 QSO points. He works 49 states, 10 Canadian call areas, 23 DXCC countries and a maritime mobile station in Region 2 on phone and 30 states, 8 Canadian call areas, and 19 DXCC countries on CW for a total multiplier of 140. Final score = 6410 (QSO points) X 140 (multiplier) = 897,400 points.

6) Miscellaneous:

(A) Call signs and exchange information must be received by each station for a complete QSO.

(B) No cross-mode contacts; CW QSOs must be made below 28.3 MHz.

(C) Single-operator mixed-mode and multioperator stations may work stations once on CW and once on SSB.

(D) Your call sign must indicate your DXCC country (K6LL in Arizona need not send K6LL/7, but K6GSS in Hawaii

must send K6GSS/KH6).

(E) One operator may not use more than one call sign from any given location during the contest period.

(F) All entrants may transmit only one signal on the air at any given time.

(G) The use of non-Amateur Radio means of communication (eg, telephone) for the purpose of soliciting a contact (or contacts) during the contest period is inconsistent with the spirit and intent of this announcement.

(H) A transmitter used to contact one or more stations may not subsequently be used under any other call during the contest period (with the exception of family stations).

(I) The frequencies from 28.3 through 28.35 MHz are designated as a noncontest window (This means that stations may not call CQ contest in this window.).

7) Reporting:

(A) Entries must be postmarked no later than 30 days after the end of the contest. No late entries can be accepted. Use ARRL 10-Meter Contest forms, a reasonable facsimile, submit your entry on diskette, upload your entry to the ARRL BBS, or send your entry to ARRL HQ via Internet.

(1) Official entry forms are available from HQ in the Contest Yearbook (\$5).

(2) You may submit your contest entry on diskette in lieu of paper logs. The floppy diskette must be IBM compatible, MS-DOS formatted, 3.5 or 5.25 inch (40 or 80 track). The log information must be in an ASCII file, following the ARRL Suggested Standard File Format, and contain all log exchange information (band, date, time in UTC, call of station worked, exchange sent, exchange received, multipliers [marked the first time worked] and QSO points). One entry per diskette. An official summary sheet or reasonable facsimile with signed contest participation disclaimer is required with all entries.

(3) You may submit your contest entry via the ARRL BBS (860-594-0306), via Internet to contest@arrl.org, or anonymous FTP to <ftp.arrl.org>. Send your summary sheet file (Make sure it includes all the pertinent information outlined in the official ARRL summary sheet.) and your log file following the ARRL Suggested Standard File Format.

(B) Logs must indicate band, mode, date, time in UTC, calls and complete exchanges (sent and received), multipliers and QSO points. Multipliers should be marked clearly in the log the first time they are worked. Entries with more than 500 QSOs total must include cross-check sheets (dupe sheets). Send entries to: ARRL Contest Branch,

225 Main St, Newington, CT 06111.

8) Awards: A certificate will be awarded to the highest-scoring single-operator station (in each category) from each ARRL/RAC Section and DXCC country. The top scoring Novice/Technician station (in each category) in each ARRL Section will be awarded certificates. Top multioperator entries in each ARRL Division, Canada and each continent will receive certificates. Additional certificates will be awarded as participation warrants.

9) Club Competition: ARRL-affiliated clubs compete for gavels on three levels: unlimited, medium, and local clubs. Details are listed in Club Competition Rules in the Contest Yearbook.

10) Condition of Entry:

(A) Each entrant agrees to be bound by the provisions, as well as the intent, of this announcement, the regulations of his or her licensing authority and the decisions of the ARRL Awards Committee.

11) Disqualification: Excess duplicates and call sign/exchange errors. See Contest Disqualification Criteria in the Contest Yearbook for complete details.

Sample 10-Meter Contest Exchanges

Phone

CQ Contest CQ Contest From Kilo-Alfa-Five-Whiskey-Mike-Juliett KA5WMJ

Kilo-Bravo-Seven-November-Mike-Yankee

KB7NMY Thank you You're 59 Texas

Roger, you're 59 Utah
KB7NMY

QSL, QRZed KA5-Whiskey-Mike-Juliett

CW

CQ Test CQ Test DE KA5WMJ KA5WMJ/N

DE KB7NMY/T

KB7NMY/T 599 TX

R 599 UT KB7NMY/T

R TU KA5WMJ/N QRZ

Comfortable Code Speeds

Have you been reluctant to try CW in the 10-Meter Contest because the code speeds are too high? Now, there is a solution for folks to whom 35 WPM is another word for impossible. A specific band segment has been set aside for slow-speed code up to 10-13 WPM (see the suggested frequencies box below).

Now you can participate at code speeds you find comfortable.

Suggested Frequencies

Novice and CW	28,050-28,080
Slow Speed CW	28,090-28,130
Phone	28,550-28,650
Novice Phone	28,350-28,400

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Remember scatter and Sporadic-E openings. North-South paths such as W2 - LU are a good bet. I will be on the low end from 1100 - 1500Z both Saturday and Sunday looking for scatter Q's, and will be around 28.400/SSB and 29.600/FM for Phone. See you on both CW and Phone...

72/73, Keith, WB2VUO, QRP-L #582, scQRP 40, ARRL LM, TS (WNY Section), VP/BARK,
Trustee, KB2YTW/B 10 Mtr Milliwatting Beacon (250 mW @ 28.2870 MHz)
"In the Depths of the Great Bergen Swamp...FN13ac"

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Bob Hightower <ki7mn@dancris.com>
Subject: [5854] Re: Novice/General Fox :^)
Message-ID: <199612080346.UAA00662@dancris.com>

At 09:34 PM 12/7/96 -0500, you wrote:

>Gang,

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>Went to the Hamfest in Mesa this week end and met a bunch of my fellow
>ScQRPions, had a good time. Also was able to pass the General tests. I am
>no longer a Novice/Tech+! But I am scheduled to be the Novice/Tech+ fox
>this Monday from 0:30 to 1:30 UTC Dec 10. What a delemma! I guess that
>I'm out of the running for Novice fox. I will however still be running as
>scheduled Monday. I will let the powers that be decide whether to give you
>1 pt for a regular fox, or 5 pts for Novice/Tech. I will be on 7110 +/-
>since I haven't forgotten where I came from yet, and I will need to retune
>my Hamstick Dipole for the lower 7040 freq. (lazy)

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>

Congratulations! Nice to see someone upgrade. I was at the hamfest also, and
didn't know that they were testing. Been out of touch, I guess. Anyway,
whatever kind of fox you are, it's hard to get to Yuma from the valley, hi hi.

Sorry to see the ranks of the 5-pointers depleted by one, but happy for you.
Now get to work on the Advanced written :^).

73,

Bob, KI7MN QRP-L #271, NorCal #1228, CQC #274, QRP ARCI #8918, AK QRP #30,
not in any order of importance.

From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Rick Zabrodski <zabrodsk@med.ucalgary.ca>
Subject: [5879] Re: OHR WM-1 question #2 followup
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.961208075842.4036B-100000@ume>

My apologies to all (many) who answered, no reply yet as I did not get the
nine volt battery into the OHR WM-1 until last pm.

7.9 volts vrs 9 volts makes no difference

Yes, I cut the right jumper!

Still get power reading in REV position, even with no power applied.

Forward works as expected.

Ideas?

Dr. Rick Zabrodski BSc, MD, CCFP(E) MRO *	VE6GK
Clinical Assistant Professor	* NorCal 519 ARCI 7650 GQRP 8329
Faculty of Medicine, Univ. of Calgary	* "Power is no substitute for skill"

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: rhight@primenet.com (Roger Hightower)
Subject: [5883] Re: OHR WM-1 question #2 followup
Message-ID: <199612081749.KAA26380@primenet.com>

At 10:03 AM 12/8/96 -0700, Rick Zabrodski wrote:

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>nine volt battery into the OHR WM-1 until last pm.
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>
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My first thought was JP1, since that is the symptom of an uncut jumper. JP1 provides voltage to R6 from U1 for calibration.. Since you've cut JP1, I'd look for another source of voltage appearing at R6, which would give you the symptoms you describe. Perhaps a solder bridge too fine to see? Had that once in a CMOS II keyer, and it didn't go away until I ran an X-acto between every trace.

Good luck.

72/73 de Roger N7KT Mesa, AZ Grid DM43cj

NorCal 1099 CoQRP 176 QRP-L 62 G-QRP 9081 ARCI 8946 NE-QRP 383

From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: Rick Zabrodski <zabrodsk@med.ucalgary.ca>
Subject: [5911] Re: OHR WM-1 question #2 followup
Message-ID: <Pine.SUN.3.95.961208162841.10561B-1000000@ume>

Will check out solder bridges for sure, already checked out the diodes....yes, got those in right.

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 > My first thought was JP1, since that is the symptom of an uncut jumper. JP1
 > provides voltage to R6 from U1 for calibration.. Since you've cut JP1, I'd
 > look for another source of voltage appearing at R6, which would give you the
 > symptoms you describe. Perhaps a solder bridge too fine to see? Had that
 > once in a CMOS II keyer, and it didn't go away until I ran an X-acto between
 > every trace.
 >
 > Good luck.
 > 72/73 de Roger N7KT Mesa, AZ Grid DM43cj
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 > NorCal 1099 CoQRP 176 QRP-L 62 G-QRP 9081 ARCI 8946 NE-QRP 383
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From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
 From: Jim and Nancy Larsen <larsennnc@alaska.net>
 Subject: [5882] Re: Propagation Request for Info
 Message-ID: <32AAFEE7.4DA0@alaska.net>

The 3 element yagi is for 40 meters. He has even better stuff on 20
 meters. (I think stacked beams on 20 meters.)

73,

Jim
 AL7FS

Alan Kaul wrote:

>
 > What band is the 3-element Yagi for??? That could make a difference in

> propagation.
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> 73/72 de alan
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> [Alan Kaul, W6RCL] kaul@netcom.com
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From owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: "William R. Colbert" <v31xe@dzn.com>
Subject: [5877] Re: swl receivers
Message-ID: <32AB0C00.1992@dzn.com>

n4so@juno.com wrote:

>
> The Drake R-4C is a good receiver and even better with
> the Sherwood mods but I do not see it mentioned much.
> They are around the 400 dollar range on the used market
> and the 600 hertz filter is superb for cw.
>
> Ken Brown, N4SO
> QTH Near Mobile, AL
> QRP-L #622
> n4so@juno.com

Thanks for the post and reminder Ken. Yes the R-4 series from Drake make an excellent receiver and I have seen them less than \$200 in a lot of markets. Also from Drake are the SW-4, similar to the R-4, but more designed for the SW broadcast market, with several filter positions and a large number crystal positions for the bands of interest. During that same time period Drake also had the SS-1R and DSR series of solid state receivers that covered from LF up thru 30 mhz. Another that may show up (was reminded of this one on the Vintage Solid State list) is the Galaxy series of receivers, particularly the R-530 and 1530 series. Not common, but do appear. One could go on and on. The point is for the beginner and/or his/her Elmer to look at various types of receivers and from various sources. Fun is the final result, be it SWL'ing, hamming or a combination. 73 Ray

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From owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU Sun Dec 8 18:00:58 1996
From: wq8q@juno.com (Rick Tyler)
Subject: [5885] Re: What we can talk about
Message-ID: <19961208.125842.6583.1.wq8q@juno.com>

On Sun, 8 Dec 1996 17:12:16 -0700 "Laura" <sputnik@imt.net> writes:

>Scott's letter (below copied) makes me unsure of what I can and cannot
>post to this list.

I may be totally off base on this, but unlike other lists/reflectors, QRP-L has been deemed a "club" with "members" and "membership numbers" and as such I believe that it should reflect the makeup of a club. It should be a place where we should all get to know another better if we so desire, and while the basis for the club is QRP, that doesn't mean that other interests don't abound. QRP seems to go hand in hand with CW, for example, so it would make sense that these two topics go together . . . so do the latest posts about music and CW, and how we became hams. You eat cookies while your work the fox? Great! What kind? You don't like to work the fox? Fine, there's lot's else to do.

As far as I know, there isn't a major internet service left in the U.S. which charges for the number of e-mail messages that are received, and I don't know about the rest of you, but my "delete" key works swiftly and well. Don't have time to wade through a stack of messages? I just went through 74 of them in less than three minutes. Don't have time on your hands? Then maybe you should be working QRO!

See you in Dayton!

72/73 de Rick, WQ8Q

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Rick Tyler, WQ8Q
Cincinnati, Ohio

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